Development of textile industry in Assam

2564. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of development and promotion of textile industry;

(b) whether people of Assam would be benefited by the development of textile industry; and

(c) if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) to (c) The Indian textiles industry is growing steadily and during the recent past it has been able to attract large investment, increasing the pace of modernization and technological upgradation. This has created additional employment opportunities, in the organized and decentralized sectors. The Government also implements various schemes to ensure the holistic growth and development of the Textiles industry, including Handicrafts, Handlooms and the decentralized Powerlooms sectors. The benefits of these schemes flow to all States/ Union Territories, including Assam.

Textiles Job Guarantee Scheme

2565. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to bring Textile Job Guarantee Scheme, to help rural families below poverty line;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is the action plan of Government to implement this policy in the backward tribal-dominated regions of Orissa, to improve its economy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) Presently, there is no proposal with